CARVER HIGH SCHOOL

Hi, gang, the reporters are here again with all the details at Carver.

One of our outstanding Seniors, Willianne Johnson, was honored with a surprise party at her home Friday night. It was a gala affair with all types of surprises.

We regret that one of our elementary instructors, Mrs. C. D. Beasley is ill. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

The Seniors are thinking that the second semester won't be long, in that they have ordered and made deposits on their invitations.

Our N. F. A. Quartet entertained us with a selection of songs Friday in assembly. Immediately after school dismissed they went to Albemarle Training School to attend a meeting of the Western Federation. The president, Charles O. Jeffries, presided. The following objectives were set up: 1. Athletics, 2. Judging, 3. Paying the winning quartet's fare to Virginia State College, 4. Presenting a silver cup to the chapter receiving the highest points. 5. Present prizes to the federation winners.

The next meeting will be held at Buckingham Training School, at which time the talent and quiz contest finals will be announced.

The Seniors are closing subscription campaign for the Yearbook this week. If you haven't purchased your book, you may be left out. There are only a few more for sale!

Mrs. Elliott, our N. H. A. Advisor, is reporting our funds to the State Association this week. The funds were raised in the annual drive for the State N. F. A.-N. H. A. Camp, which is located at Petersburg, Virginia.

The Juniors left Thursday on their trip, accompanied by Mr. Clay, Mr. Butler, and the Ninth Grade. They will tell you all about it next week.

The Juniors are sponsoring a Valentine Dance. Herbert declares he will learn to dance for Lelia Morzee. Donald Doss has some new shoes especially for the dance.

We are very school conscious this year, more so than ever. We have been reading and watching the papers with great enthusiasm, with attention focused on Governor Battle's $15,000,000 gifts to localities. We feel it is going to affect us because our need is great. Our patience has been remarkable. Those who have not seen the conditions under which both Elementary and High School students and teachers work cannot realize our situation. The students harbored together in one large room with screens for partitions and no peace whatever. The eighth graders while Mrs. Mullin was conducting class last week were disturbed by the falling of a stove and the room filled with smoke. Students passed to another room where class was being held, interrupting them. At any time soot smoke screens fill our rooms. Could this be healthy? In the midst of classes to hear the buzz of the shop saw, plane, and hammers, because of classes having to be held in a small classroom adjoining it. Students and teachers veritably have to scream to be heard. We wait. Our day can't be too far away — when we can have a comfortable, well-equipped school.

The Student Council held its first meeting last week with the president, Deaster Johnson, presiding. The main topics for discussion were a Highway Patrol System and appointment of a constitution committee.

Dr. Banks began dental operations on the elementary students Tuesday. The benefits coming from such a clinic are numerous.

The penguins in our classrooms make us really think Spring has arrived. Everyone loves this beautiful season more than any other.

We bring to a close our week's news events. The thought is left with our readers:

"Gather ye rosebuds while ye may,
Old Time is still a flying.
And this same flower that smiles today,
Tomorrow will be dying."

Herrick: "Hesperides."

Carol Paight is acquitted in mercy death.

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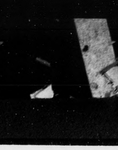

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But today most doctors will tell you that changing a child's natural left-handed tendency usually causes more harm than good.

Stammering and other nervous disorders often get their start that way, they think it's right.

Personally, I think a mellow glass of beer is the finest beverage on earth. If you happen to prefer a Coke—why, go to it! Only leave me the same freedom of choice, won't you?

Joe Marsh

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Soil Loss From Rain Costly to Acreage

This Type of Erosion Studied by Government

If all the water in a two-inch rain should be dumped on a field at one moment it would have power to lift a seven-inch layer of soil three feet into the air—a monstrous splash. This figure has been calculated by scientists of the soil conservation service, U. S. department of agriculture.

Of course, the department specialists say, such a calamity never occurs. In most areas, rainfall at the rate of one inch in 15 minutes is an extremely heavy and destructive rain, and the total of the smaller splashes in such a rain can cause serious splash erosion.

It is against the forces of falling rain that the soil conservation service is centering its efforts to keep a protective cover on the land at all seasons when beating rains are likely. More than 100 tons of soil per acre may be splashed by the heaviest rains falling on a bare and highly detachable soil.

It is only in recent years that this type of soil erosion has been fully appreciated and the destructive results measured.

It is only in recent years that this type of erosion has been fully appreciated and the destructive results measured. Scientists and farmers have come to realize that the raindrop splashing which detaches particles from the main soil body is a primary factor in erosion control, and that it is not until the soil has been detached by the falling raindrop that the flowing water of the runoff outside of rills and gullies can remove it from the field.

Cure for Swine Mange Relatively Inexpensive

It will cost the average farmer only about 15 cents each to treat each brood sow for mange and large roundworms. But the treatments are worth several hundred times that amount in better herd health and faster gains.

Dr. M. E. Mansfield, veterinarian at the University of Illinois, reminds farmers that breeding time is a good time for parasite control. At that time the farmer usually has only a few hogs on hand, so the cost of treatment is less, and there will be less chance of trouble with the litters.

To control mange, he says, spray each sow in the herd with benzine hexachloride just before breeding time. Then the affected sows and boars will be free of mange.

Best of Barrows

Ohio State university's "Playboy," 250-pound Berkshire was acclaimed grand champion barrow (market hog) at the Chicago International Livestock Exposition. "Playboy" defeated more than 500 other hogs to win top honors. Arthur Jordan, OSU swine herdsman, is shown with the champion.

Egg Is Never Any Better Than When It Is Laid

Many farmers apparently don't think about the fact, but an egg is just as good as it will ever be when the hen lays it.

Boyd Ellis, poultry specialist of the Wyoming agricultural extension service, points out that it's up to the consumer to keep the quality of eggs good. To do this, eggs should be gathered soon after they're laid; should be cooled in a wire basket.

Pamplin RFD 1

Pamplin, R. F. D. 1, Feb. 7.—Mrs. M. P. Webb is recovering from a recent illness.

Misses Laura Grant and Virginia Richards, of Farmville, were the week-end guests of Mrs. Walter Richardson and family.

Hurt Baldwin, of Lynchburg spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Baldwin.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Peters, of Scottsville spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Williams and family.

Mrs. Doris Price and Billy Tolley, both of Richmond visited their parents on Sunday.

Mrs. Annie Meade is visiting relatives in Richmond recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Ranson and children were the dinner guests of Mrs. Raymond Price and family on Sunday.

Mrs. Will Baldwin is recovering from his recent illness. He is at the Virginia Baptist Hospital, in Lynchburg.

A number of the folks around here went to Charlotte Court House Monday night to attend the basketball game between Boonsboro and Pamplin. Pamplin won over Boonsboro, both the boys and girls games.

Miss Minnie Sizemore, of Farmville is spending a few days at her home here.

Mrs. Joseph L. Meadows, who has been a patient at the Lynchburg General Hospital the past week, returned to her home on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Madores are the parents of a girl, Linda Joyce, born on January 30.

Spout Spring

Spout Spring, Feb. 7.—Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Frazier and son, of Altavista spent Sunday in the home of her parents.

William Moon and daughter visited his parents Monday.

Mrs. Hunter Jamerson is a patient at the Virginia Baptist Hospital.

Mrs. A. C. Almond, who has been on the sick list, is able to be out again.

The W. S. C. S. of Salem Church will meet Friday evening at 7:30, in the home of Mrs. H. S. and Nancy Jones.

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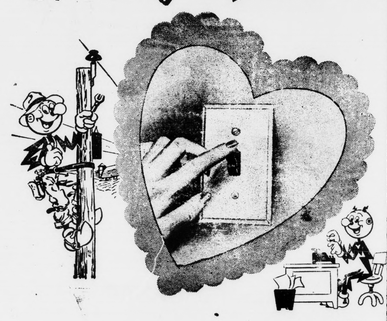

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Gospel Goes West

Lesson for February 12, 1950

IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE in foreign missions? Then you don't read the New Testament with comfort. Every book in it was written either by a missionary, or about missionaries, or to missionaries, or to be used in mission work.

Chapters 13 and 14 of Acts tell us about the first organized foreign mission project in the history of the Christian church. This is the story of how the Gospel was taken out of a narrow strip of coastland along the eastern shore of the Mediterranean, where it was born, out into the western world.

The Best They Had

THE FIRST missionary party were not rank untried men. They were Barnabas and Saul, the leaders of Antioch. These men had done a great work in Antioch; their usefulness there was not at all ended by any means. But the church sent them away to win souls elsewhere. It is a mistake to suppose that just anybody will do as a missionary.

Ignorant people who suppose that missionaries are only the "misfits" of the church don't know the facts. A few years ago a scientist, Ellsworth Huntington, made a study of the graduates of Yale and Harvard who were successful enough to be written up in "Who's Who in America." He found that missionaries' sons furnished the largest proportion of those successful men.

The reason for this, he believed, is that only in missionary families do you find that both parents, and not just one, have to go through a sifting process. Only the best mentally, morally, physically—are accepted by the church today as missionaries.

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Strategic Centers

SAUL, or Paul, who came rapidly to the front in the missionary team, was all for efficiency. He never did a thing the hard way when an easier way would save his energy. So we find him heading for the great centers of population.

In the synagogues he would find the most religious people in the city, people who already believed in the One God and who took seriously the Law and the Prophets.

Barnabas and Saul stuck to cities for another reason also. Not that they despised small-town folk, but they knew that cities are where the crowds are. For every dozen people they could reach in a village, there were hundreds to be reached in the cities. So today, mission work has generally concentrated most in the most heavily settled regions.

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The Follow-Up

PAUL AND BARNABAS also set the example for later generations in their use of the "follow-up." They did not suppose that mere converting people was enough. There had to be second visits. Some churches Paul visited as many as five times. They would appoint officers in every church. They knew that organized religion is more likely to last than unorganized religion.

They were not fly-by-night evangelists, leaving behind them only an ebbing wave of emotional excitement. Every rose grower knows that it is better to put a 10-cent rose in a 50-cent hole than to put a 50-cent rose into a 10-cent hole. So Paul did not stick little seedlings of new Christians into barren ground at random; he took pains to see that they were solidly planted in good rose-beds.

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The Holy Spirit

THERE IS ANOTHER, and most important, way in which this first missionary effort has set the pace for all since: From beginning to end, they depended on the Holy Spirit. It was the Spirit who first suggested the idea; it was the Spirit who gave the power, and furnished the guidance. Not that the Spirit was or is a substitute for human effort.

But to this very day, if you want to find persons who know about the Holy Spirit at first hand, who know what it means to depend on the Spirit and to be used by Him, then get acquainted with your church's missionaries.

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Va. Expects Over 25,000 School Visitors

Richmond, Feb. 8.—Virginia will be visited by between 25,000 and 30,000 members of graduating classes of schools throughout the nation during the spring months, Commander Raymond R. Bottom, president of the Virginia Travel Council announced today. The Council has just completed an intensive campaign to interest class advisors and teachers in choosing Virginia's historic shrines as destinations for school graduation and vacation trips. The work of the Council was facilitated by the various transportation agencies serving the area and by 400 personal calls on school officials in cities outside of Virginia by managers of the State Barter Theatre companies while on tour.

Commander Bottom stated that high schools throughout the eastern, northen and southern parts of the Eastern United States were sent invitations and offers of aid by the Council. The South was particularly responsive. Invitations also were sent to schools in Ohio, Tennessee, Kentucky and West Virginia. The average school group will number about 25 although some groups of as many as 180 will be touring Virginia.

"The Council has concentrated on this work this year not only because it means money to Virginia business, but because a visit to the sacred shrines and historic spots where American history was made in Virginia, is bound to create a deep impression on the youth of the nation," Commander Bottom stated. "Virginia has more to offer than bricks and mortar and monuments. If these leaders of tomorrow can absorb the principles and high ideals that inspired early Virginians when they designed here in Virginia the cornerstones of American democracy, it will be well worth all of the effort that can be put into the movement."

Most of the school groups will come in April, May and June. The Virginia Travel Council has drafted scores of itineraries routing these groups through the state. Most are traveling in buses, but between 25 and 35 per cent will come by train.

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Appomattox is a growing town.

North Carolina trustees elect new university president.

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U.S. Indian Population Now On Steady Increase

WASHINGTON. — The red man is on the increase in the United States.

Indian bureau officials, reporting on population trends of the Indians, said the climb in Indian population was averaging about 1 per cent each year.

The bureau estimated there are now more than 400,000 Indians on tribal rolls—possibly 450,000.

This compares with a low of less than 250,000 in 1880, and 398,000 when the last official check was made in 1936.

Gladstone

Gladstone, Feb. 4.- J. R. Ragland and family have moved to a residence on Highway 60 near here.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Tureman spent several days the past week in Richmond.

James Siter, chairman of the local March of Dimes fund, reports contributions of $117.84, the largest ever collected here.

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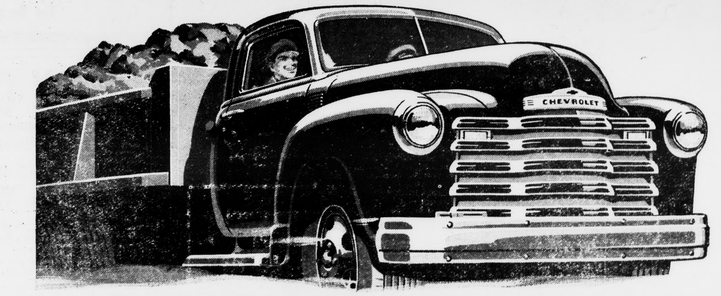

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